

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

At page 1, line 2, immediately after the Title, please insert the following paragraphs:

### **CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a 371 National Stage Application of International Application No. PCT/EP2003/007774, filed July 17, 2003, which claims priority to GB 0216768.2, filed July 19, 2002 and GB 0224289.9, filed October 18, 2002.

### **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

At page 1, line 24, of the specification, please insert the following paragraph:

### **SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

At page 4, line 3, of the specification, please insert the following paragraphs:

### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Figure 1 shows the % shrinkage MD - Table 7.

Figure 2 shows the % shrinkage TD - Table 8.

Figure 3 shows Handle-o-meter results beta testing - Table 9.

Figure 4 shows ranking with respect to E' and E" in MD.

Figure 5 shows ranking with respect to E' and E" in TD.

Figure 6 shows ranking with respect to E' and E" in MD and TD.

### **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION**